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GLEICHEN, ALBERTA. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1920

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Public Meeting of Gleichen Ratepayers, Monday, November 29

Masonic Hall—Endorsed by Every Member of the Board of Trade, who will be present with his Wife

Two Great Events in Gleichen's Past and Future History

Soldiers Monument Unveiled and the Agricultural School Formally Opened

Few towns can boast an experience quite so unique as that which made Tuesday, November 29, a day which will not be soon forgotten by the people of Gleichen. Either opening the new agricultural school or unveiling so worthy a tribute of honor to our soldiers would have brought the community together. Therefore, the large attendance and splendid enthusiasm was most natural when both events were staged on the same day.

At 2 p.m. the firing party of twelve veterans in charge of Frank Scott, R.S.M., formed up in front of the G.W.V.A. hall, Brig-Gen. A. H. Bell and Col. Peakes, accompanied the party, which marched with arms reversed from the hall to the memorial where it was drawn up, six on either side.

The front of the memorial was covered with a large Union Jack, while either side was draped with a Canadian flag.

The local ministers, Rev. Canon Stockton, Rev. Father Simion, and Rev. R. M. Matheson took part in the dedication ceremony. The dedication prayer was offered by Canon Stockton, after which the names of 51 soldier citizens who paid the supreme sacrifice were read by Mr. Matheson. Gen. Bell, in a brief but most appropriate speech, emphasized the significance of the occasion, and the fitting way in which this handsome memorial expressed the gratitude of the people to those men and women who served and sacrificed to sustain a great cause.

A gentle puff on the cord and the flag gracefully slipped to the ground, revealing our rugged and handsome memorial. The firing party presented arms, then saluted with five rounds fired across the top of the memorial. The Last Post was sounded by two drummers and two buglers of Strathcona House, Calgary, and the impressive ceremony was over. In a few minutes the procession, led by the local R.C.M.P. and the Veterans and bugle band, started for the agricultural school, which was formally opened by Hon. Duncan Marshall, Minister of Agriculture.

Just here it may not be out of place to record a few notes gleaned from the speeches about the memorial. It represents a rugged appearance, built of rough-hewn granite to harmonize with the pioneer days of the country and the spirit of the men it stands to honor. That the nation of the battles in which Canadians bore a conspicuous share might stand in bold relief they are cut deep into the very smooth surface on the whole shaft.

A memorial such as this was unveiled no wider significance than the accepted meaning of the word "monument." Memorials stand to commemorate great events in the nation's history, and strive to express not only what was achieved, but also the avenue by which the goal was reached. There is interpreted into this memorial an idea which may be expressed in three words: Service, Sacrifice and Victory. That victory, whether in peace or war, can be won only by service, and, if need be, sacrifice. The names of the men who

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The Minister of Agriculture as the last speaker of the afternoon. He delivered a very forceful address, outlining the plans and ideals of the Department of Agriculture with regard to the agricultural schools. Mr. Marshall said that he had been told that a fifty-mile radius of every Alberta boy and girl. It should be remembered that the six schools which we have in our province are the result of Mr. Marshall's untiring energy and his firm belief that for agricultural advancement the present generation of farmers should be able to benefit by the cumulative experience of their parents and of the experimental stations, provincial and Dominion, throughout Canada. Such knowledge has been gathered together by bitter experience and by experimental work can still be presented to them by the schools of agriculture, thus saving them the years of past experience which has in many cases meant hardship and slow progress to their elders. No less important, Mr. Marshall stated, was the girls' education that the boys' education must emphasize upon the need for trained home builders. Mr. Marshall made a very great appeal to all the farmers and their wives present to send their sons and daughters to this new school of agriculture.

The chairman first gave a short address, and on behalf of the staff and students welcomed all present to the new school. All were invited to give the buildings a thorough examination before leaving. A brief outline of the Alberta schools of agriculture system was given and the distinctive features of that system as being a decentralised one, and one which enabled many more boys and girls to take advantage of the courses offered than would otherwise be the case, were emphasized. He then introduced the first speaker for the afternoon, Mr. A. E. Meyer.

Mr. Meyer before coming to the school had been for many years a farmer and stockman in the vicinity of Guthrie, Ontario, and explained in an interesting way how the attitude of farmers of his early days had changed with regard to agricultural education. They now realized its value, he said,

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The official opening of the school may be said to have been of with a great deal of enthusiasm, and will be remembered by the people of Gleichen and War Memorial travelling, as comprising one of the most important days in the history of the town of Gleichen.

Excellent Cantata

The cantata given last Friday evening in Union Church under the auspices of the choir and the Senior Girls' Club proved a most interesting and enjoyable program. The rendering of every number revealed a high standard of efficiency. Much credit is due Mrs. Oatland as leader and also to all who took part.

All in attendance were delighted and have expressed their appreciation in many ways. However, in point of numbers the audience was discouragingly small and certainly did not represent Gleichen's loyalty to local talent, or local effort, nor indeed appreciation of real merit. Possibly the full program in the earlier part of the week had some thing to do with the small attendance. Several people who were present expressed the hope that the whole program would be repeated, and we may have another opportunity of hearing it.

There were twenty voices in the choir and three pieces in the orchestra. Mrs. Mooney and Miss Fisher Arrowwood helped with characteristic generosity. Special permits mentioning a few special numbers.

Due to Mrs. Mooney and Miss Fisher Arrowwood, "Hunger and Glory" by Mr. Barrow.

Due to Mrs. Mooney and Miss Fisher Arrowwood, "How Excellent is Thy Name" by Mrs. McLean and Mr. R. A. Brown.

Due to Mrs. Mooney and Miss Fisher Arrowwood, "My Hope is in Thee" by Mrs. Matheson.

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Grocery Reductions

In keeping with the falling markets on food stuffs the following lines have this week been reduced:

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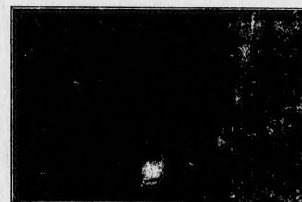
Saturday Specials

Burns Dominion Bacon, not sliced, 50c lb.

Corn Flakes, 4 boxes for 50c

Windsor fine table salt 3 lb. 2 for 25c.

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Farm lands in the States and Eastern Canada sell from \$200 to \$500 an acre and do not produce more than the districts surrounding Gleichen. Our land here is rapidly advancing in price.

See us for farm values

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De Scholl's Demonstration Week

This week is observed internationally as Dr. Scholl's Demonstration Week. No matter what ails your feet—corns, shooting pains, corns, calluses, bunions, excessive perspiration—let our graduate Fractipedian demonstrate to you the Scholl method of relieving the condition and correcting the cause. There is no charge for examination and advice—no need of removing the shoe. Learn the joy of just that sort relief.

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The PERSONAL SIDE

PROMINENT WESTERN CHARACTERS—SOME INTERESTING ANECDOTES—PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW.

SOME OF N. F. DAVIN'S CAMPAIGNS

In the early nineties there was nothing to inspire Mr. Davin the Conservative party in Western Canada. Mr. Nicholas Flood Davin, who occupied the seat for the wide constituency of Western Assiniboia was secure in his citadel from any attack from the Liberals. He was, by no means, a servile supporter of the administration and his aggressive attitude on western matters had raised up some opposition to his own party. He was accordingly, opposed in the general election of 1890 by Thomas Tweed of Medicine Hat, who was a Conservative and the Liberals all supported Mr. Tweed. Mr. Davin won easily, although Mr. Tweed conducted a strong campaign.

In 1895 conditions had changed, however, and there were indications of a Conservative landslide. The movement of the Patrons of Industry had become strong throughout the country and Davin was fighting for his political life. Thomas Tweed, his erstwhile opponent was one of his strongest supporters. Mr. Tweed, while addressing a large joint meeting in the town hall at Regina, was twitted by one of the Opposition speakers with having opposed Mr. Davin some years previously and was asked why he was now supporting him. Mr. Tweed rose to the occasion and responded as follows:

"During the piping times of peace, officers of an army may have their own differences and quarrels among themselves, but when the drums of the war are heard coming over the hills they close their ranks and stand shoulder to shoulder. Mr. Davin just asked the beacon with that election. The fact was very close between him and J. K. Melnick, and on a recent Judge Richardson declared the result of the election was just reversed. 'It is not so deep as a well, nor so wide as a church door, but it's enough, it will serve.'"

Once in the House of Commons on being twitted with his majority of one, Mr. Davin has been known to have been twitted with my majority of one, both in Parliament and on the hustings. I have been called the member for Dixie and various other things, but I can say with Mercutio who, when asked by his friends about the extent of the real twitting which he had just received: "It is not so deep as a well, nor so wide as a church door, but it's enough, it will serve."

A WESTERNER'S VISIT TO EUROPE

Some time ago a well known Western Canadian decided to make a tour of Europe. This was before the war, and there were no restrictions as to travel. He visited Paris, which only slightly interested him. He made there a company of travel with an Englishman and they travelled all over the country of the empire. They visited Venice, and the Canadian had been impressed the least in the world by the wonder of that ancient city. He had found fault with the architecture of the leaning tower of Pisa and displayed an interest in the wonderful treasures of Milan. At length they reached Rome and the morning after their arrival there the Englishman said: "What are we going to see today?" "I shall it be the Colosseum or the Quirinal or the Vatican or the Forum of Augustus?"

"Hell no!" said the westerner. "I'm going down to see the barn where they keep the Papal bulls, and if the stock looks all right, I'm going to buy me one to tone up my herd in the Qd'Appelle Valley."

LOCATING THE CAPITAL

About 1987 there was a great deal of agitation on the part of the members of the old Territorial Legislature about the permanent location of the capital. The western members, of course, were in favor of Calgary, the northern members favored Prince Albert—Saskatchewan was divided more than a name—and poor Regina had only one or two advocates.

Regina, at that time, was not a very comforting place to live in. There was no paving, and whenever it rained the streets were covered in mud. It was not an idealistic quality. In winter, it was bitterly cold and as the members of the Legislature had to walk about a mile across the open prairie to reach the scene of deliberation they were often exposed to the sweep of the blizzard. To make matters worse the only water available was that drawn from wells, and it had a remarkable mineral constituent in it that acted upon those unaccustomed to it as like a dose of physic, the consequence was that the visiting members of the legislature were often in a somewhat wretched condition. One winter when conditions were rather worse than usual a number of them headed by Joseph Banerman, who at that time was a member for one of the Calgarys, started an agitation to have the capital located in the city of Regina. He made one speech in the House; he said, among other things, that Regina was only fit for frozen frogs in February; he said it wasn't fit for civilized beings; the water was bad and all the members were sick in consequence. "There is no advantage in it," he said, by saying that the only place under the blue floor of heaven for the capital of this great and growing country was the beautiful city of Calgary, within sight of the snowy peaks of the Rockies and situated in the heart of the prairie.

Charles Boucher, the member for Batchoe, at once rose in his place in the House. He said he could not understand why Honorable members were suffering from the effects of Regina water, there was no occasion he said, in the city of Regina to get water at all, when Mr. Arnold of the Landsdowne, and other hotel proprietors kept excellent whiskey in large barrels. "Look me," he said, "I am never sick, but then you say I never drink water."

night schools for adults in rural communities. Other speakers were Prof. Macdonald, W. A. Wallace of the University of Toronto and J. W. Barnett, provincial organizer for the Alberta Teachers' Association.

Feed Shortage in Palestine
The serious problem of the shortage of livestock, cereals and vegetables. A meeting was arranged at the Agricultural Society of the province for a number of speakers to discuss the situation. The speakers were Mr. J. Morgan, superintendent of the new Canadian mission in the Middle East, Mr. J. W. Barnett, provincial organizer for the Alberta Teachers' Association. He said that thousands of people should be able to read and write and the only direct result of the war was that the number of them can be reached is through

Pithy Paragraphs For Busy People

THE WEEK'S NEWS IN TERSE TERMS

Reduce DitchArmy

In addition to recommending that the standing army be reduced from 400,000 to 200,000 General Poston, in his report, urged that the standing army be reduced to 100,000 by the year 1930. The plan is, however, to include a complete physical training for school youths between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years.

Bank Manager Fined

Andrew Noonan, manager of the Port Arthur branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, was fined \$4,550 in his possession 361 beaver pelts and 262 muskrat skins and without the necessary documents attached. The beaver pelts were ordered confiscated.

Married to Reform Her Husband

Mrs. Rose Longman, of New York, is going to break the will of her husband Samuel T. Longman. Mrs. Longman, wealthy manager of a publishing company, on month before married. He left her \$50,000 but she will not accept it. She is estimated at \$100,000. Mrs. Longman maintains that her husband Longman to save his life from the habit of drink and drug. He was 52 years of age.

Merry Go Round For Wives

A British merchant who visited the land of Zanzibar states that he was chatted with his host, music being played from the distance. He asked the reason for the merry, jolly atmosphere and the Sultan took him to the business enterprises. The merchant, much amused, says: "There with your ride he pointed to a sight that nearly dared one to ride. There were many painted horses and on each at a bride. As the Sultan gazed upon them he was told that he had purchased a carrousel for his wives and they all seemed to be having a lot of the time of their lives. While the merry-go-round cycled and the horses roared and flew, the Sultan's wives were laughing and whistled as they played." He said the funny thing about the merchant said, who had seen and heard the music from drum and tam-tam— "as odd as it could be and I was there." Only One Girl in This World "He."

Senator Shaford Dies

Senator J. W. Shaford, who suffered a paralytic stroke six days ago, died at his home in New Scotland. For fourteen years in the Provincial Legislature as a Conservative, he was elected by acclamation in 1912. He was prominently connected with business enterprises in British Columbia.

Negroes Assault Girl

Two unidentified negroes recently held up an automobile driven by a young man and two girls on a road near Canton, North Carolina. The young man, who killed one of the young men, dragged the girl into a nearby wood and assaulted her. The police officers and armed citizens are searching for the negroes.

Spanish Beauty Put in Jail

A Spanish beauty, Mrs. R. Lee, was arrested by police detectives in St. Paul, Minn., at a fashionable restaurant, charged with grand larceny. She is charged with having stolen \$1,200 belonging to a Port Arthur, Ont. travelling man who gave her name to the police as John McGraw. McGraw said he met Mrs. Lee Sunday and they attended a party. Later he discovered his roll was missing. He notified the police and they found the money in Mrs. Lee's room.

Woman Victim of Stray Bullet

A very spectacular football took place recently on the East side, New York, when Mrs. Dolores, Mont., was hit. Scores of sympathizers followed her. Several banks were closed, and hundreds were in deference to the young man who had been killed. His death at the hands of detective James Kenney came early on. Dolores, who was a Red Cross worker, died the day after her husband was killed. A bullet fired from a car of a cigarette seller hit her down and she died shortly afterwards in the hospital. The detective continued the chase for the thief, only stopping long enough to place the dying woman in a home nearby. She was exonerated from all blame. Kenney was arrested and federal and started a subscription to provide for him.

Price of Tea Coming Down

A prominent Canadian Tea firm, with headquarters in New York, has announced a cut from 70 to 55 cents per pound retail for one of the popular varieties of tea. It is said that the price concern will probably follow.

It is thought that there is a glut on the British and Canadian markets of tea to the fact that the British merchants have been unable to sell the large quantities in the Russian market. It is understood that the Canadian tea firm will have a large number of the considerable losses as a result of this.

Three Months for Silence

Jerry Callaghan of St. James, Albert was recently sentenced to three months for refusing to tell where he got his information. "Do you know you are liable to go to jail for three months," asked the magistrate. "I'd rather go to jail than be hanged," Callaghan said.

Held For Murder

Carl Cavanaugh who killed his wife with a shotgun, near her mother's home at Moose Jaw two weeks ago and who has since been remanded for trial on a charge of murder in an escaped convict from Indiana State prison, according to information received by the police. Cavanaugh was serving a 20 year term for rape when he escaped on July 14, 1918. His brilliant record has been restored from Indiana where he was known as High Cavanaugh.

Shooting Justifiable

"It was justifiable," was the verdict returned by the coroner's jury conducting the investigation into the death of Beverly Tremblay who was shot by Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, pastor here incumbent at the Chappell House, Windsor, Ont., recently. The most startling feature of the evidence was that the man who had been charged with the death of Tremblay the dead man Smith had told them on the morning of the gun shot that he had flourished in the face of the inspectors. This was in direct contradiction to Smith's testimony that he did not see Tremblay with a gun and that as far as he knew he did not shoot him.

Expulsion of R.C.M.P.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police are getting ready to send an expedition overseas for a year to Herschel Island, the Arctic Trading, Whaling and Exploration base. They will go by way of Cape McMurdo, where the expedition will make the trip from Dawson with dog teams. Preliminary shipment of supplies will be needed along the way. It was stated from Dawson a few days ago that the party will not be arriving from the north or other points.

Crooks in Toronto

It is reported that auto thieves, house-breakers, robbers and gunners have recently been showing great activity in Toronto. One man was held up and another was shot. The police are stalemated, many houses were entered, while the occupants were taken to the hospital and money stolen.

Armour-Close Packing Plants

Armour and Company have announced that it had closed its business in the city of Toronto. The plant was in Hamilton, Ont., and selling agents at St. John, N.B., and Sydney, Nova Scotia. The plant was in Hamilton, Ont., and selling agents at St. John, N.B., and Sydney, Nova Scotia. The plant was in Hamilton, Ont., and selling agents at St. John, N.B., and Sydney, Nova Scotia.

Aviators Cut Fire Losses

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Fremont Narrowly Escapes Deluge
Twenty-seven men, narrowly escaped death and three others were seriously injured fighting a fire in New York recently, when heavy double doors of a sawmill gave way, deluging the sidewalk with an avalanche of the flaming material. But for an order from Deputy Fire Chief Thomas Hayes which cleared the threatened area, all would have been burned.

Flour Has Gone Down
Winning mills recently announced a reduction of 80c per barrel on the top potential of flour to take effect immediately following a batch of twenty, two and a half cents on the cash wheat market during the past seven days.

Found Dead in Vagueness
Leeds Vaughn Waters, who is believed to have been a member of a titled English family was found dead recently with his head cut and buried in a room in the Plymouth hotel. The police were searching for a "rough-looking" young man who was supposed to be Waters to the hotel and registered as "James Dunn, Milwaukee."

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Red Cross, Nurses and Officer Killed
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German Delivery Bonds to Allies
Germany has delivered to the repatriation commission bonds to the amount of 60,000,000 German gold marks, the value of which is approximately 3,000,000,000 at the present rate of exchange. The delivery of the bonds is in accordance with the requirements of the peace treaty, and the commission proposes to hold them as security for and in acknowledgment of Germany's debt.

Weekday Day as Anniversary of Revolution
The Federation of Labor Unions unexpectedly issued a proclamation that November 9, which was the second anniversary of the German revolution, was made a weekday day. The great array of industrial and technical workers were not, however, supported by the State, and the government and government employees pursued their ordinary weekday routine. Retail business was closed, and the day was interrupted.

Immigrants Pouring into Canada
Now that conditions are the way to normal, the flow of immigration has started to pour heavily again. It is expected that by the end of the present fiscal year the influx will approximate 200,000. The immigrants are from various sources, but largely from Britain and the United States. The restrictions which prevail elsewhere to keep out foreigners and also limit the number coming from any country. There are few farmers, farm laborers and domestics who are allowed in, as industrial conditions are so unstable and an increased floating population in the cities is not to be encouraged.

Plenty of Fuel
Officials of the Railway Commission who are handling fuel control and distribution are not apprehensive of a shortage of fuel. They are confident that supplies if the early winter weather proves reasonably good. Production in the United States mines has been stepped up to a great extent and the situation is being watched.

Homes For Returned Men
The Government of Australia has entered upon an extensive program of providing homes for returned soldiers. The program is being carried out by the Government of Australia. The program is being carried out by the Government of Australia.

Endorsing Action of Government
The Archbishop of Canterbury, presiding at the Ministerial Association of Halifax at Dartmouth, that at a meeting of that body on Monday last, a resolution was adopted endorsing the action of the British Government towards the hunger strike of the late Lord Mayor MacSwiney.

Unable to Speak English
There are 3,000 adults in the province of Alberta who cannot speak the English language. There are 3,000 adults in the province of Alberta who cannot speak the English language.

Love Struck Yet
J. C. Linsley former president of the Alberta Teachers' Association. He was charged recently with eloping with a young woman. The young woman was charged with eloping with a young man.

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The PERSONAL SIDE

PROMINENT WESTERN CHARACTERS—SOME INTERESTING ANECDOTES—PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW.

In the early nineties there was nothing to inspire Mr. Davin the Conservative party in Western Canada. Mr. Nicholas Flood Davin, who occupied the seat for the wide constituency of Western Assiniboia was secure in his citadel from any attack from the Liberals. He was, by no means, a servile supporter of the administration and his aggressive attitude on western matters had raised up some opposition to his own party. He was accordingly, opposed in the general election of 1890 by Thomas Tweed of Medicine Hat, who was a Conservative and the Liberals all supported Mr. Tweed. Mr. Davin won easily, although Mr. Tweed conducted a strong campaign.

In 1895 conditions had changed, however, and there were indications of a Conservative landslide. The movement of the Patrons of Industry had become strong throughout the country and Davin was fighting for his political life. Thomas Tweed, his erstwhile opponent was one of his strongest supporters. Mr. Tweed, while addressing a large joint meeting in the town hall at Regina, was twitted by one of the Opposition speakers with having opposed Mr. Davin some years previously and was asked why he was now supporting him. Mr. Tweed rose to the occasion and responded as follows:

"During the piping times of peace, officers of an army may have their own differences and quarrels among themselves, but when the drums of the war are heard coming over the hills they close their ranks and stand shoulder to shoulder. Mr. Davin just asked the beacon with that election. The fact was very close between him and J. K. Melnick, and on a recent Judge Richardson declared the result of the election was just reversed. 'It is not so deep as a well, nor so wide as a church door, but it's enough, it will serve.'"

Once in the House of Commons on being twitted with his majority of one, Mr. Davin has been known to have been twitted with my majority of one, both in Parliament and on the hustings. I have been called the member for Dixie and various other things, but I can say with Mercutio who, when asked by his friends about the extent of the real twitting which he had just received: "It is not so deep as a well, nor so wide as a church door, but it's enough, it will serve."

A WESTERNER'S VISIT TO EUROPE

Some time ago a well known Western Canadian decided to make a tour of Europe. This was before the war, and there were no restrictions as to travel. He visited Paris, which only slightly interested him. He made there a company of travel with an Englishman and they travelled all over the country of the empire. They visited Venice, and the Canadian had been impressed the least in the world by the wonder of that ancient city. He had found fault with the architecture of the leaning tower of Pisa and displayed an interest in the wonderful treasures of Milan. At length they reached Rome and the morning after their arrival there the Englishman said: "What are we going to see today?" "I shall it be the Colosseum or the Quirinal or the Vatican or the Forum of Augustus?"

"Hell no!" said the westerner. "I'm going down to see the barn where they keep the Papal bulls, and if the stock looks all right, I'm going to buy me one to tone up my herd in the Qd'Appelle Valley."

LOCATING THE CAPITAL

About 1987 there was a great deal of agitation on the part of the members of the old Territorial Legislature about the permanent location of the capital. The western members, of course, were in favor of Calgary, the northern members favored Prince Albert—Saskatchewan was divided more than a name—and poor Regina had only one or two advocates.

Regina, at that time, was not a very comforting place to live in. There was no paving, and whenever it rained the streets were covered in mud. It was not an idealistic quality. In winter, it was bitterly cold and as the members of the Legislature had to walk about a mile across the open prairie to reach the scene of deliberation they were often exposed to the sweep of the blizzard. To make matters worse the only water available was that drawn from wells, and it had a remarkable mineral constituent in it that acted upon those unaccustomed to it as like a dose of physic, the consequence was that the visiting members of the legislature were often in a somewhat wretched condition. One winter when conditions were rather worse than usual a number of them headed by Joseph Banerman, who at that time was a member for one of the Calgarys, started an agitation to have the capital located in the city of Regina. He made one speech in the House; he said, among other things, that Regina was only fit for frozen frogs in February; he said it wasn't fit for civilized beings; the water was bad and all the members were sick in consequence. "There is no advantage in it," he said, by saying that the only place under the blue floor of heaven for the capital of this great and growing country was the beautiful city of Calgary, within sight of the snowy peaks of the Rockies and situated in the heart of the prairie.

Charles Boucher, the member for Batchoe, at once rose in his place in the House. He said he could not understand why Honorable members were suffering from the effects of Regina water, there was no occasion he said, in the city of Regina to get water at all, when Mr. Arnold of the Landsdowne, and other hotel proprietors kept excellent whiskey in large barrels. "Look me," he said, "I am never sick, but then you say I never drink water."

night schools for adults in rural communities. Other speakers were Prof. Macdonald, W. A. Wallace of the University of Toronto and J. W. Barnett, provincial organizer for the Alberta Teachers' Association.

Feed Shortage in Palestine
The serious problem of the shortage of livestock, cereals and vegetables. A meeting was arranged at the Agricultural Society of the province for a number of speakers to discuss the situation. The speakers were Mr. J. Morgan, superintendent of the new Canadian mission in the Middle East, Mr. J. W. Barnett, provincial organizer for the Alberta Teachers' Association. He said that thousands of people should be able to read and write and the only direct result of the war was that the number of them can be reached is through

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which "I am sorry I can't; I am the host." "Run outside, Willie; father going to try and get Central."



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Tales of Our Own Country

SOME CHRONICLES OF THE DAYS OF THE WAR
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STORIES TOLD AROUND THE FIRES OF THE HUNTING
CAMPS OF BYGONE DAYS

How Inspector Fitzgerald By His Death Erected An Everlasting Monument To R.N.W.M.P.

A TALE OF HEROISM UNEQUALLED IN THE CHRONICLES OF OLD ROMANCE—THE FEARFUL ARCTIC TRAIL—HOW BRAVE MEN DIE—A MATCHLESS RECORD OF DUTY DONE.

In the course of this series of articles I have frequently alluded to the work that was done by the R.N.W.M.P. in the Yukon territory, in the early days of the war, and the officers of the force were practically the administrators of the region. They collected customs duties, maintained law and order, and in the face of a hostile and lawless population, and their patrols penetrated to the Arctic fastnesses of the far north, and were able to isolate human beings whose adventurous disposition and the vicissitudes incidental to the north had cut them off from civilization and exposed them to the rigors of a cruel and savage climate.

Splendid Men

The members of the force selected for this latter duty were all splendid young men in the first flush of their manhood. In addition to being physically strong they had to be daring, intelligent and resourceful, and splendidly did they acquit themselves. Running on snowshoes behind their dog teams, and depending upon their rifles for sustenance, they climbed mountain chains that ran across the roof of the world; penetrated the most inaccessible villages that had never echoed to the sound of the human voice since time began; and successfully surmounted the ramparts which nature had erected to guard her secrets of the north.

There was many a hard journey and many a bitter experience, but generally the members of the Mounted Police, with their dogged determination, their loyalty and their sense of duty, and their intelligence and physical strength usually won through.

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REVOLUTIONS

The lady bank clerk had completed her first week, and a friend asked her how she liked the work.
"Oh, it's beautiful!" said she. "I'm at a branch where nearly all the people are new. I have accounts, and it's so nice to see how little they know of the bank!"

in the valleys, and the journey presented almost incredible difficulties. On the 28th of February, Corporal Dempster set out on his perilous expedition. For fourteen days the little party, on their snow shoes, penetrated steadily into the northward. On March 1 they struck the marks of an old toboggan trail on the Little Wind river, about sixteen miles from its mouth.

An Old Trail

This trail was in the bed of the river but despite the fearful cold the river had flooded in places and obliterated it. Dempster was able to judge whether or not the marks in the snow had been made by Inspector Fitzgerald's party, but he decided to follow it. Continuing down the wind river he could see no further sign of the trail, but thinking perhaps he had made a mistake he left his party and crossed the divide into another valley. He spent some time alone searching for indications of the missing men, after rejoining his party he pulled into some timber and made a camp across traces of Fitzgerald's party. They had apparently camped in the same place some time previously. There were some empty tin lying around and a box of floor polish, and some other things, Inspector R.N.M.P. Fort McPherson. With the first glimpse of daylight Corporal Dempster and his party picked up the faint outlines of an old trail and made two hours' travelling camp across an hours' travelling camp.

Bad Signs

The runners of the north, when everything is going well, make long journeys between the posts. Corporal Dempster at once came to the conclusion that the trail was wrong when he found two camps so close together. Again he followed the old trail, and further down the Wind River he found the marks of a snow trail in the ice leaving the ridged marks made by the toboggans, and the road was plain to see.

Starvation

On the morning of March 16 the trail led to a little cabin where they found a toboggan and some sets of dog harness. There were also the paw and the shoulder of a dog from which the head had been cut away by some human agency. It was plain to the readers of these signs that Fitzgerald and his men had been in great stress, and that he had pushed on in the hope of being rescued. The snow trail in the ice leaving the ridged marks made by the toboggans, and the road was plain to see. On the morning of March 16 the trail led to a little cabin where they found a toboggan and some sets of dog harness. There were also the paw and the shoulder of a dog from which the head had been cut away by some human agency. It was plain to the readers of these signs that Fitzgerald and his men had been in great stress, and that he had pushed on in the hope of being rescued. The snow trail in the ice leaving the ridged marks made by the toboggans, and the road was plain to see.

A Mid-winter Journey

It was the most rigorous season of the year, midwinter. The land was gripped in the icy fingers of the frost king, and in these northern latitudes, there were only a few hours of daylight. Often the thermometer sank to from fifty to sixty degrees below zero and biting winds assailed the travelers as they breathed each activity. The snow was of great depth.

Hurrying to the Rescue

Next morning Dempster again pushed on, driving his dogs, which they had never been driven before and he had to be maintaining the ceaseless run of the experienced Arctic traveller. They were now in a more straitened for were they not bringing the dogs to the famished and suffering.

THE GAIL, GLEICHEN, ALTA.

Fitzgerald's trail was plain

from this. On ten miles from the cabin they found a tent and stove, alongside the trail; there was, however, no sign of human beings. With heads down to the bitter blast the dogged march was continued and after another ten miles had passed behind them they saw a blue handkerchief tied to a pole.

Frozen to Death

The dog team was stopped, and calling off his snowshoes, Corporal Dempster climbed a high bank and looked over the trail through a fringe of willows into the stunted timber. He found there the remains of a small camp. There were the ashes of a fire and beside them the remains of a tent. He saw the bodies of Constable Kinney and Constable Taylor, the regular members of Inspector Fitzgerald's party. Both men were lying side by side in sleeping bags. Constable Taylor had apparently shot himself for a third time. His feet and hands were frozen and the top of his head was blown off. There had been a fire in the tent and a camp kettle stood beside it stuffed with snow. Constable Taylor had apparently been endeavoring to extract some nourishment from the snow. Constable Kinney was as gunnery captain, containing other things, Inspector Fitzgerald's diary, which contained records that indicated some of the things which the patrol had endured.

The Old Tragedy

It was the old tragedy of the north. Nature, relentless, cruel and implacable, had won in the fight. However, these men were not frozen. Perhaps Fitzgerald and Constable Kinney had been attempting to reach Fort McPherson and bring help. They might have been able to do so, but the two dead constables were carefully covered with brushwood and snow. Inspector Fitzgerald, on his mission of relief, took the trail back to the cabin and the patrol was ended.

On the following morning a trail appeared to have gone towards a bank and kicking round in the snow he found it. Dempster discovered a discarded snowshoe. Up on the bank a little further on he came upon the bodies of Inspector Fitzgerald and Constable Kinney. They had apparently died first and Fitzgerald had been unable to get back to the cabin. The last of the forces which decency required. Carter was lying on his back with his hands crossed over his breast and Fitzgerald's handkerchief spread across his face. Inspector Fitzgerald was lying on his back with his hands crossed over his breast and Fitzgerald's handkerchief spread across his face.

Inspector Fitzgerald's toes were frozen, and the feet of each member of the party were badly frozen. The bodies of Inspector Fitzgerald and Carter were reversed, disposed beneath piles of brushwood and Dempster proceeded to Fort McPherson, where they reached the same evening and gave the police there the first intimation of the tragedy.

A Simple Burial

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The Last Word

On Saturday, February 5, Fitzgerald made his last entry in his diary. It read: "A strong south-east wind, left camp at 7.15 a.m. nooned one hour and camped about eight miles further down. Just after noon I broke through the ice and had to make fire: one foot frozen. Killed another dog tonight. Have only five dogs now and can only make a trail back to day. Everybody breaking out in

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